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To Mr. Michael Powell

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I recently read your editorial in the Palm Beach Post expressing your ideas about media concentration with my Debate Class at Atlantic High School in Delray Beach, Florida. My fellow classmates and I strongly disagree with your ideas. I disagree with your idea of having one powerful company owning television stations, newspapers, and other media. If this were to happen, then the news would be severely bias based. By having ownership control of the major media sources, the large companies would be capable of swaying the direction of the news towards their own opinions and beliefs. This should not be permitted.

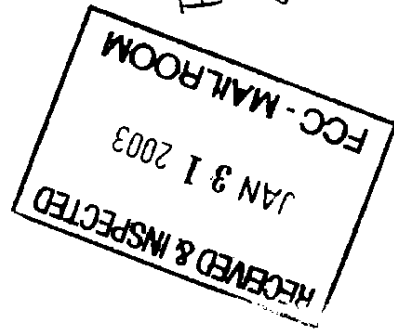
As a teenager, representing today's next generation, I do not think this approach to business makes sense. Many of today's youth are very impressionable. Teenagers should be able to form their own opinions using different sources of information rather than many sources that all have the same basis. It would be a great tragedy if their minds were corrupted or swayed just because greedy people wanted to make some extra money by combining a few companies into one large one. I advise you to reconsider your plan. Thank you.

Sincerely,

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